



Successful Local Performances

A brief description

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Type of Arts Ed. Advocacy:	<input type="checkbox"/> Internal <input type="checkbox"/> External <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mix of Internal/External Advocacy
Brief Description:	<p>Creating a true collaboration between an arts organization and a school district is the focus of one of Phoenix Union High School District's Art Education goals. PUHSD and the Phoenix Art Museum are collaborating on a curriculum development-professional development-and authentic learning experience program. Advocating for the work with the Phoenix Art Museum took deliberate planning at the classroom, school, and district level along with strategic work from the Director of Education at the Phoenix Art Museum. In the past, many partnerships between school districts and arts organizations have engaged student learning through field trips, possible teaching artist learning experiences, and individual teacher choices. This current collaboration has Phoenix Art Museum docents, PUHSD visual arts teachers and students creating, implementing, and assessing curriculum that not only aligns and supports the district's visual arts curriculum, but the Phoenix Art Museum's goal of creating practical, usable lessons for classroom use.</p>